



REMARKS

The Examiner required restriction to one of the following groups of claims under 35 U.S.C. § 121:

Group I: claims 1-46 and 87-114, allegedly drawn to methods of detection in the class 435, subclass 6.

Group II: claims 47-86, allegedly drawn to probes and kits in the class 536, subclass 23.1.

Applicant elects Group II. Additionally, applicant notes that all claims in Group I were canceled in the divisional application filing paper that was filed on November 28, 2000.

Applicant also has added new claims 115 to 119, which correspond to initially-filed (and previously canceled) claims 47 to 51. The Action places those claims in elected Group II. Claims 52 to 86 and 115-119 are pending.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to Deposit Account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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